

HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION 670

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A RESOLUTION to designate Old U.S. 27 as an historic road in Tennessee.

WHEREAS, Old U.S. 27 has contributed significant economic benefits to the State Of Tennessee by serving as a major north-to-south artery for commerce from northern Michigan to southern Florida; and

WHEREAS, Old U.S. 27 includes a 140-plus-mile segment in East Tennessee that stretches from the Kentucky state boundary near Winfield and the Big South Fork National River and Recreation Area southward through the cities of Harriman, Dayton and the greater Chattanooga metropolitan area to the Georgia state boundary; and

WHEREAS, these economic and social benefits have ensured the growth and prosperity of the State of Tennessee and her citizens; and

WHEREAS, the designation of Old U.S. 27 as an historic road, both in Tennessee and nationally, would increase tourism and lead to increased economic development; and

WHEREAS, Tennessee should take all necessary measures to preserve and promote Old U.S. 27, because of its important role in the Volunteer State's history and heritage; now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE ONE HUNDRED SEVENTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE, THE SENATE CONCURRING, that Old U.S. Highway 27 in Tennessee is designated an historic road to promote tourism and economic development opportunities in this great State. We urge all Tennesseans to recognize both the historical and present-day importance of Old U.S. 27.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that we support the designation of Old U.S. Highway 27 in Michigan, Indiana, Ohio, Kentucky, Tennessee, Georgia, and Florida as a national historic road.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that a certified copy of this resolution be transmitted to the Commissioner of Transportation and to each member of Tennessee's Congressional delegation.